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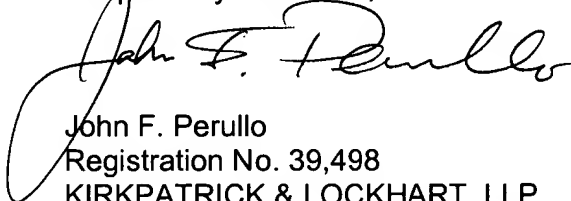
PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

A one month extension of time, to and including May 5, 2001, is requested for response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) dated March 5, 2001.

The check enclosed includes the fee of \$110.00 for the extension. If the amount is insufficient, please charge our deposit account No. 50-1721. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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